

Subsequently, the vote on the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to the bill was vitiated.

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Commerce/Justice/State Appropriations Amendments: By unanimous-consent, the following amendments to S. 1217, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000 (passed by the Senate on Thursday, July 22, 1999) were agreed to:

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Gorton (for Gregg) Amendment No. 1350, to make certain technical corrections.

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Gorton (for Leahy) Amendment No. 1351, to restore funding for United States Sentencing Commission.

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Gorton (for Nickles) Amendment No. 1352, to modify the circumstances under which attorney's fees in Federal capital cases can be disclosed.

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Gorton (for Durbin) Amendment No. 1353, to ensure that current Federal family violence prevention programs are sensitive to the needs of all Americans including seniors and the disabled.

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Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting a report on progress toward achieving benchmarks in Bosnia; referred to the Committee on Armed Services. (PM–51).

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Transmitting reports entitled "Motor Vehicle Safety" and "Highway Safety" for calendar years 1996; referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (PM–52).

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Routine list in the Navy.

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Messages From the President:

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—222)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 11 a.m., and adjourned at 7:10 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, July 27, 1999. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9313.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: On Friday, July 23, Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Michael A. Sheehan, of New Jersey, to be Coordinator for Counterterrorism, Department of State, with the rank and status of Ambassador at Large, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Evelyn Simonowitz Lieberman, of New York, to be Under Secretary of State for Public Diplomacy, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Biden, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 6 public bills, H.R. 2607–2612, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Filed on July 23, H.R. 850, to amend title 18, United States Code, to affirm the rights of United States persons to use and sell encryption and to relax

export controls on encryption, amended (H. Rept. 106–117, Part 4);

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Filed on July 23, H.R. 2605, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal

year ending September 30, 2000 (H. Rept. 106-253);

Filed on July 23, H.R. 2606, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000 (H. Rept. 106-254);

H.R. 468, to establish the Saint Helena Island National Scenic Area, amended (H. Rept. 106-255);

H.R. 695, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to convey an administrative site in San Juan County, New Mexico, to San Juan College, amended (H. Rept. 106-256);

H.R. 841, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain works, facilities, and titles of the Gila Project, and designated lands within or adjacent to the Gila Project, to the Wellton-Mohawk Irrigation and Drainage District, amended (H. Rept. 106-257);

H.R. 862, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to implement the provisions of the Agreement conveying title to a Distribution System from the United States to the Clear Creek Community Services District (H. Rept. 106-258);

H.R. 992, to convey the Sly Park Dam and Reservoir to the El Dorado Irrigation District, amended (H. Rept. 106-259);

H.R. 1019, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey lands and interests comprising the Carlsbad Irrigation Project to the Carlsbad Irrigation District, New Mexico (H. Rept. 106-260);

H.R. 2079, to provide for the conveyance of certain National Forest System lands in the State of South Dakota (H. Rept. 106-261);

H.J. Res. 57, disapproving the extension of non-discriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to the products of the People's Republic of China, Adverse (H. Rept. 106-262);

H. Res. 260, providing for consideration of H.R. 2587, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000 (H. Rept. 106-263); and

H. Res. 261, providing for consideration of H.R. 2605, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000 (H. Rept. 106-264);

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Gibbons as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:32 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Lake Oconee Land Exchange Act: S. 604, to authorize and direct the Archivist of the United States to make available for public use the records of the House of Representatives Select Committee on Missing Persons in Southeast Asia—clearing the measure for the President;

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Export-Import Bank Board of Directors Quorum Requirement: H.R. 2565, as amended, to clarify the quorum requirement for the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States;

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Records of the Select Committee on Missing Persons in Southeast Asia: H. Res. 172, to authorize and direct the Archivist of the United States to make available for public use the records of the House of Representatives Select Committee on Missing Persons in Southeast Asia;

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Organ Donor Leave Act: H.R. 457, to amend title 5, United States Code, to increase the amount of leave time available to a Federal employee in any year in connection with serving as an organ donor;

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Technical Corrections to Digital Copyright Law: S. 1260, to make technical corrections in title 17, United States Code, and other laws—clearing the measure for the President;

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Trademark Amendments Act: S. 1259, to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 relating to dilution of famous marks—clearing the measure for the President; and

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Patent Fee Integrity and Innovation Act: S. 1258, to authorize funds for the payment of salaries and expenses of the Patent and Trademark Office—clearing the measure for the President.

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Recess: The House recessed at 4:45 p.m. and reconvened at 6:01 p.m.

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Regulatory Right-to-Know Act: The House passed H.R. 1074, to provide Governmentwide accounting of regulatory costs and benefits, by a recorded vote of 254 ayes to 157 noes, Roll No. 336.

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Agreed to the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order by the rule.

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Agreed to the McIntosh en bloc amendment that makes technical corrections specifying that the OMB Director submits the reports; delays the requirement for the analysis of impacts on public health and safety, the environment, consumer protection, equal opportunity, and other public policy goals; and exempts any matter relating to monetary policy.

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Rejected the Hoeffel amendment that sought to require an analysis on the extent to which costs imposed on incorporated entities by regulatory programs are offset by Federal subsidies, including grants and preferential loans; limits expenditures to carry out the act to \$1 million; and sunsets the act at the end of 4 years, rejected by a recorded vote of 192 ayes to 217 noes, Roll No. 335. **Pages H6374–78**

H. Res. 258, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to on July 23.

Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

Sustainable Peace Process: Message wherein he transmitted the 6-month periodic report on the progress made toward achieving benchmarks for a sustainable peace process—referred to the Committees on International Relations and Appropriations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 106–155); and

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Department of Transportation Reports: Message wherein he transmitted 1996 calendar year reports prepared by the Department of Transportation—referred to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure and Commerce.

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page H6355.

Amendments Ordered Printed: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H6424–25.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H6378 and H6378–79. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 11:25 p.m.

Committee Meetings

VA, HUD, AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies approved for full committee action, the VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies appropriations for fiscal year 2000.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 2605, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000. The rule waives clause 4(a) of rule XIII (requiring a 3 day layover of the committee report) against consideration of the bill. The rule waives clause 2 of rule

XXI (prohibiting unauthorized or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill) and clause 5(a) of rule XXI (prohibiting a tax or tariff provision in a bill not reported by a committee with jurisdiction over revenue measures) against provisions in the bill, except as otherwise specified in the rule. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Packard and Visclosky.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 2587, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000. The rule waives clause 4(c) of rule XIII (requiring a three-day availability of printed hearings on a general appropriations bill), section 306 (prohibiting consideration of legislation within the Budget Committee's jurisdiction, unless reported by the Budget Committee, and section 401 (prohibiting consideration of legislation providing new entitlement authority which becomes effective during the current fiscal year) of the Congressional Budget Act against consideration of the bill. The rule waives clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill) against provisions in the bill. The rule makes in order the amendments printed in the Rules Committee report which may be offered only by a Member designated in the report and only at the appropriate point in the reading of the bill, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled between the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to amendment. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was